

# WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

## Celebrating the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel

Today, September 29, 2019

Coffee and Donuts After All Sunday Masses

### Eucharistic Adoration

**Adoration will begin after the 11:30 AM Sunday Mass. If you are able to come, please see the following list of suggested times based on ministries and last names. This will help assure there is someone in the Chapel all day. All parishioners are encouraged to visit our Eucharistic Saviour..**

### Times for Eucharistic Adoration

#### 12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

Last Names Starting V-Z  
Cross Bearers  
Extraordinary Ministers of  
Communion  
Deer Creek/Clarendale  
Ministers

#### 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM

Last Names Starting P-R  
Ministers of Care  
Ministry of Consolation &  
Hope  
Senior GEMS  
Welcoming Ministry

#### 2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Last Names Starting J-L  
HSA  
Parish/School Advisory  
Board  
Sports Advisory Board  
Lectors  
Sacristans

#### 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Last Names Starting D-F  
Art & Environment  
Ministers  
Comforting Chefs  
Health & Spirituality  
Money Counting Ministry  
Parish Nurses

#### 1:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Last Names Starting S-U  
Finance Council Members  
Gardener Ministry  
Good Samaritans  
Knights of Columbus

#### 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Last Names Starting M-O  
Faith Formation Catechists  
& Assistants  
Faith Sharing Groups  
RCIA Team Members  
Respect Life Ministers

#### 3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Last Names Starting G-I  
Festival Committee  
Music Ministers  
Pastoral Council Members  
Rebuilding Hope Mission  
Team

#### 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Last Names Starting A-C  
Altar Servers  
RADIATE Youth Ministry  
Scouts  
Labors of Love Ministers



Today  
Evening Prayer and Benediction  
4:30 PM

Traditional Dinner with Spaghetti and  
Chicken in St. Patrick Hall  
Following Evening Prayer

We are asking all who attend to please bring a dessert  
to share. Desserts can be dropped off in St. Patrick  
Hall prior to Evening Prayer.

September 29, 2019

Feast of St. Michael, St. Raphael & St. Gabriel

# Community, Personnel & On-Going Information

## PARISH OFFICE STAFF

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Mrs. Loretta DePrez.....sacristan@stmichaelparish.life

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Email.....office@stmichaelparish.life  
Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life

## ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Office Hours: 8:00 AM-3:30 PM Monday-Friday  
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Website.....www.stmichaelparish.life/school  
Principal  
Miss Colleen Kennedy.....ckennedy@stmichaelparish.life  
School Executive Assistant  
Mrs. Karen Rapacz.....krapacz@stmichaelparish.life

## FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Monday & Thursday  
8:00 AM-3:00 PM & 5:30-8:00 PM Tuesday &  
Wednesday  
8:00 AM-1:00 PM Friday  
Phone .....(219)322-3077  
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Director of Religious Education  
Miss Jessica Yoder.....jyoder@stmichaelparish.life  
Administrative Assistant  
Mrs. Mary Jo Rymarczyk..mrymarczyk@stmichaelparish.life  
Traditional Classes... Tuesday or Wednesday 6:00-7:30 PM  
Good Shepherd Classes....Tuesday 6:00-7:30 PM  
Sunday Family Classes.....Once a month 9:30-11:00 AM

## SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM

## DAILY LITURGY

Weekdays 7:00 AM  
Saturday 8:00 AM

## SUNDAY LITURGY

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

## HOLYDAY LITURGY

See page 15 of the bulletin for  
Holy Day Mass Schedule.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays, 1:00-6:00 PM, in the chapel.

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Sacrament of Penance**...Saturday 3:30 PM-4:30 PM

**Baptisms**...First time parents at St. Michael must attend a Baptism Prep session before the baptism date can be scheduled. Please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241 to schedule the prep session and/or baptism date.

**Marriage**....The bride, groom, their parents/grandparents must be active registered members of the parish for at least one year prior to reserving a date for the wedding. The diocese requires that arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of the wedding date in order for the proper personal, spiritual and liturgical preparations of the couple to be completed.

**Sacrament of the Sick**...Please call the office until 4:00 PM. After 4:00 PM, please call 322-6623 Monday-Friday and anytime on the weekend.

Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the third Saturday of each month at the 8:00 AM Mass in the chapel.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday prior to the Sunday printing 12:00 PM (Noon).  
Holidays have exceptions. Please submit potential bulletin articles by email to bulletin@stmichaelparish.life or in print form to the office or by fax to 322-4508.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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**ST. MICHAEL**  
**PARISH**  
Schererville, Indiana

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## From the Pastor's Desk

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**Archangels = Action/Words.** The Feast of St. Michael the Archangel is on September 29th for the Universal Church. Along with our patron, we also celebrate two other important Angelic Beings, Raphael and Gabriel. Though each have a particular charism or function they all share one thing in common; they all bring God's word to us. This is either direct like Gabriel who speaks God's words to Mary or indirectly like Raphael who guides Tobit's son, Tobiah, to look for a wife or Michael who brings God's word as our protector and defender against the confusion of Satan.

So, in a sense, this is God's Communication Department. Unlike the frenzied communication of the present day, these communicators are very deliberate. There are no hash-tag catchy phrases, or sound bits, or even lengthy speeches. Perhaps the din of modern-day communicating makes it difficult for us to hear such clear and steadied voices.

You and I, who have every means possible to communicate, feel even less connected than we did before. Yes we "talk" (text) to each other but the multiplication of our words spoken or written have not made them more effective; perhaps they have even diminished them to the point of background noise.

To really communicate, silence is needed. Time is a welcomed guest to be able to formulate thoughts that try to touch the very mystery of God. Throwing more words at God, or even at one another, doesn't get the point across nor clarify our thoughts. You and I can become mired in the depth of our communications.

Take time today to just be in God's Presence as it is given to us in the Blessed Sacrament of His very Body and Blood. Put down the cell phone, close the tablet, turn off the TV, silence the "tunes" just for a while and sit and listen for the sparse but most powerful Word of God.

It is this Word that inspires us and challenges us to DO more than SAY. To DO His bidding, to be His feet, hands, eyes and heart in the world, in our parish. The many good works that are available to you and I -- to speak with our actions need your attention. Take some time to check them out in St. Patrick Hall. The Word in action is what these angels are all about and they will help you to take on some action in Christ's name. They will help you to give your time and talents to further God's Kingdom.

Finally, these Angels remind us that they are here to help us. We should seek their counsel and their strength in prayer. This does God honor when we use the assistants he provides for us.



# Spirituality and Worship Commission



## LIVING SCRIPTURAL ROSARY & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

OCTOBER 2ND

7:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL

ALL ARE WELCOMED!

ALL ROSARY PRAYERS SAID

TOGETHER

NO FEAR TO BE A LIVING BEAD

**Commission Members:** Director of Liturgy, Art & Environment, Eucharistic Ministers, Hospitality, Lectors, Music, Sacristan, Altar Servers, Cross Bearers, Prayer Ministry, RCIA, Ministers of Care, Deer Creek/Clarendale Ministers



## Marian Devotions at the Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine

| DATE  | TIME    |
|-------|---------|
| 10/06 | 7:00 PM |

## October Intention

We pray for an end to the great evil of Abortion and that that dignity of all life will be acknowledged and protected by our nation.

Spread the Word - Save the Date  
Evening of Nov. 8th and Nov. 9th Daytime

# CONFERENCE '19

*Source and Summit: Transfigured in the Eucharist*  
*Fuente y Cumbre: Transfigurados en la Eucaristía*

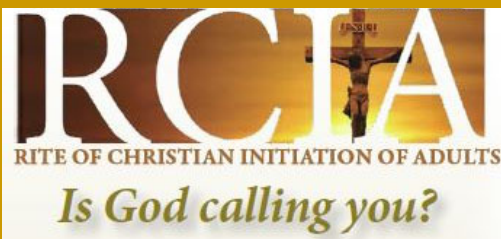
Training and Renewal for Lectors •  
EMHCs • RCIA • Ministers of Care •  
Art & Environment • Music Ministers

## Art & Environment Meeting

Did you ever wonder what the Art & Environment Committee does? If so, you are invited to come to a meeting on October 16th at 7:00 PM in the St. Amand room in St. Patrick Hall. This meeting is open to all parishioners. The liturgical year will be discussed and hopefully all questions will be answered. If you need any additional information, please call Judy at 365-8613.

Hope to see you there!

*Submitted by Judy Hisick*



***The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*** is a process by which one becomes Christian. This process calls those people who have not been baptized, are of another faith tradition or have only received the Sacrament of Baptism to prepare to enter fully into the Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism if necessary, Confirmation and Eucharist. For information regarding the Rite of Initiation process,

please call Janice at 322-4505, ext. 8241.

*Submitted by Janice Gatons*



# Education and Formation Commission

**Commission Members:** Director of Religious Education, School Principal, Sport/School Advisory Board/HSA Representatives, Marriage Prep, Baptismal Prep, Adult Catholic Education, RADIATE Youth Ministry, Bible Study

## SCHOOL NEWS



### Collaboration 8-16 and Kindergarten

This year, SMS will be doing collaborations with other grades and classes. What an exciting time for 8-16 and Kindergarten! Together, both classes are collaborating on a project. To prepare them both, as well as to get to know one another, 8-16 students read stories to the Kindergarteners. Each student in 8-16 was given a story book to read to a small group in Kindergarten. The 8th graders asked their Kindergarten buddies questions about the story, showed them pictures and talked about what their favorite parts of the story were. After the story was over, the 8th graders helped their Kindergarten buddies write a journal entry and draw a picture of their favorite part of the story. It was an amazing experience for both 8-16 and Kindergarten, as well as for the teachers!!

*Submitted by Mrs. Mossman*



### An Easy Way to Help SMS



Educational technology and funding changes daily. To keep up with these changes and expenses, SMS is participating in our local supermarket's Apples for the Students program. The Strack & Van Til Apple for the Students program enables SMS to earn Apple computers, iPads, sporting goods, audio visual equipment, science supplies, hundreds of other valuable items and they are all FREE. To earn these FREE awards we simply have to collect as many Strack & Van Til register receipts as possible from Sept. 1, 2019-March 2, 2020. Ask your friends and relatives to shop at Strack & Van Til and save every receipt. Put the receipts in an envelope marked Apples for the Students and place in the collection basket or drop them off at the parish office during normal business hours.

## Thank you in advance for your participation!

# Education and Formation Commission

## MORE SCHOOL NEWS

### OCTOBER CALENDAR

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|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 4th: Western Night for Grades 1 & 2         | 23rd: Special Person's Day                 |
| 6th: Fashion Show at Halls of St. George    | End of First Quarter                       |
| Doors open at noon                          | 24th: eLearning Day                        |
| 10th: School Advisory Meeting 6:30 PM       | 25th: Fall Break                           |
| Confirmation Parent Meeting 7:00 PM         | 28th: Fall Break                           |
| 11th: Dance for Middle School Students      | 30th: BNI Visit with Middle School 9:00 AM |
| 17th: Shadow Day at Andrean for 8th Graders | 31st: Halloween Parties for Grades 1-4     |
| 18th: Confirmation Retreat 4:30 PM          |                                            |

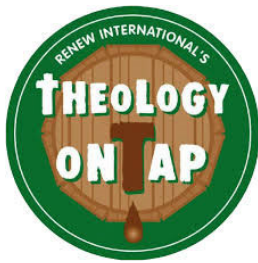


We are blessed with a very large number of children in our Religious Education Program. One of the most important things we can do is help bring the next generation to faith in Jesus Christ. Religious Education is one our most sacred responsibilities. **We need your help. We are in need of two aides to assist our catechists in second grade and seventh grade on Tuesday evenings, 6:00-7:30 PM.** If you would like to spend some time with children and help in the classroom environment, please call the Religious Ed Director, Jessica, at 322-3077.

### OCTOBER CALENDAR

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|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM         | 15th: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM               |
| 2nd: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM                       | 16th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM                             |
| 8th: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM         | 18th: <i>Confirmation Retreat 4:30-8:30 PM in St. Patrick Hall</i> |
| 9th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM                       | 22nd: Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00-7:30 PM               |
| 10th: <i>Parent Confirmation Meeting 7:00 PM in SMS Gym</i> | 23th: Traditional Classes 6:00-7:30 PM                             |
| 13th: Family Session 9:30-11:00 AM                          | 29th & 30th: <i>No Classes-Fall Break</i>                          |

## Education and Formation Commission



ADULTS, AGES 21-39,  
JOIN US AT REGION ALE IN SCHERERVILLE  
OCTOBER 3RD & 10TH AT 7:00 PM  
FOR BEER, FOOD AND  
DISCUSSIONS

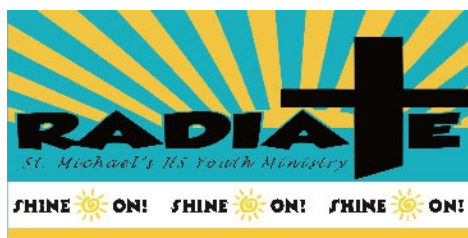


*"Go, therefore,  
and make disciples  
of all nations..."*

Topics:

Oct. 3rd: Politics and Faith: Where do Catholics fit?- Luana Lienhart

Oct. 10th: How to hear God in an earbud wearing world- Deacon Allen Tatara



### ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS ARE INVITED TO OUR YOUTH MINISTRY!

We have a bunch of fun making friends, sharing our faith while snacking on delicious food.

Last weekend, Radiate enjoyed their annual Beach Bash at the Dunes. We had a great time as we played games on the beach, hiked, ran up the dune hills, picnicked and enjoyed each other's company!

### WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU YOU ARE INVITED!

Upcoming:

**Oct. 13:** Gathering in St. Patrick Hall,  
6:00-8:00 PM

**Oct. 27:** Halloween Party in St. Patrick Hall,  
6:00-9:00 PM. Wear a costume!

Keep informed and up to date. Join our text messages. Text: @radiate to 81010.

Any questions? Please contact Jeannine Quigley at 219-755-5356.

*Submitted by Jeannine Quigley*



## Peace & Social Justice Commission

**Commission Members:** Ministry of Consolation and Hope, Good Samaritans, Pastoral Care, Respect Life, Health & Spirituality Committee, Parish Nurse Ministry, Rebuilding Hope Mission Team, Labors of Love



### Blood Pressure, Glucose and Oxygen Level Screenings

The next screenings will take place Oct. 19th & 20th in the east coat room after the 5:00 PM, 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses by the parish nurses.



# Peace & Social Justice Commission

## Welcome the Newly Baptized

Luke August Roberts  
Isabelle Ann Warren

## Prayers

***Tim Hazard, Nick Barone, Kristin Finley, Carol Smialek, Philip Mullaney, Joseph Wisniowski, Dave Kintzel, Asheley Goergen, Elizabeth Jean Sanchez, Ed Zurawski, Connie Sullivan, Arnold Camp, Lydia Castillo, Bill Bryk, Evelyn Mathews, Mark Biegel, Jen-Mei Dorris, Diana Donnell, Tina Serna, Judith Marshall, Megan Bugg, Beth Ann Brown, David Sarros, Zbigniew Sochacki, Consuelo Garcia, Levita Herrella and all those in need of the healing touch of God.***

*Life is precious; handle with prayer.*

Placing the name of a loved one or yourself in the bulletin *Prayer List* can be done through Michaeline at 322-4505, ext. 8220 in the parish office. The names are placed in the bulletin for a period of four weeks after which time they are either removed or placed in the Book of Intentions in the Chapel. In praying for a sick person, we show our solidarity with that person and we remind ourselves to do all that is within our power to help in the healing done through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

*St. Michael's parishioners are in bold, italic print.*



# Save the Date!!!



## Baby Shower for our Spiritually Adopted Babies

**Saturday, November 9th ~ Noon to 3:00 PM ~ St Patrick Hall**

We are in need of

- ♦ New or 'gently used' baby items
- ♦ Baby toiletries & Diapers
- ♦ Feeding supplies
- ♦ Bedding

Place donations in the gathering space next to the Good Samaritan box labeled **BABY SHOWER!**

- ♦ Food
- ♦ Speakers from Women's Care Center
- ♦ Miscarriages, Mother's & Others with Jill McNamara
- ♦ Recipients are Women's Care Center & the Carmelite Home

**More updates to follow!**

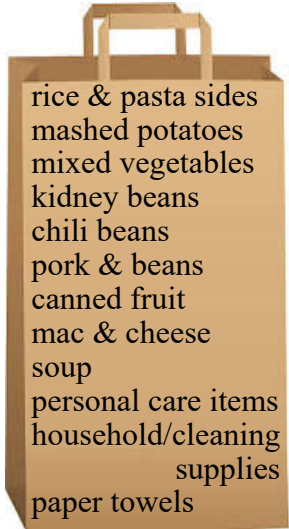


# Peace & Social Justice Commission



We are here to assist anyone with temporary help. If you know someone from Schererville, Dyer, or St. John who could use help with their NIPSCO bill, rent, or groceries, **please have that person in need (due to privacy act)** call 322-4505, ext. 8250 and leave a message.

The Good Samaritans' food pantry is in immediate need of the following items:



rice & pasta sides  
mashed potatoes  
mixed vegetables  
kidney beans  
chili beans  
pork & beans  
canned fruit  
mac & cheese  
soup  
personal care items  
household/cleaning supplies  
paper towels

## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY NEWS

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

**September 25th – November 3rd**

“There is no single area of pro-life work more important than standing at the abortion mills praying and witnessing for life.” -*Brian Gibson, Executive Director, Pro-Life Action Ministries; St. Paul, MN*

“What happens when prayer and witnessing takes place at abortion facilities? Babies' lives are saved.

Internal memos from Planned Parenthood officials point out a percentage of ‘no-shows’ every time ‘protestors’ make their presence. Abortion facilities close. The witness in recent years of the 40 Days for Life campaigns, as well as other prayer efforts at abortion mills, is the closure of these places. The peaceful, prayer-filled presence of Christians keeping vigil, coming back regularly and consistently has been an important part of closing dozens of facilities across the country.”

*Pro-Life Action Newslettter, Vol 35 No. 2; April 2015.*

If you would like to take part in this 40 Days for Life Campaign, consider joining other pro-lifers "on the hill" at Planned Parenthood in Merrillville anytime between 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM to pray for the end of abortion. There are 960 hours that make of the 40 Days for Life, can you give one 1 hour to stand up for life? Parishioners from St. Michael's are planning to go to Planned Parenthood in Merrillville on Saturday, October 19th, at 10:30 AM for an hour of peaceful vigil to pray for the end of abortion.

### RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY – ROSE SALE

Respect Life Sunday is on October 6th and in honor of the day, the Respect Life Ministry will be selling roses after all Masses the weekend of October 5th and October 6th. The roses are \$1 each or a dozen for \$10. Proceeds help to support Lake County Right to Life and the Women's Care Center.

At 2:00 PM on October 6th, please join the Life Chain that takes place on Ridge Road from Wicker Park and goes West into Lansing where pro-lifer's stand together to form a Chain to promote Life and pray for an end to abortion.

### PRO-LIFE WEEKLY

Remember everyone to check out ProLife Weekly on EWTN every Thursday evening at 9:00 PM for the latest Pro Life issues and go to [Prolifeweekly.com](http://Prolifeweekly.com) for the “Call To Action” of the week. It is easy to do. The latest issue will be on the screen and you only have to complete the entry and submit it to have it go directly to your legislators. Also, tune into Relevant Radio 950 AM for latest Pro Life news and issues. If you have any questions or issues, please either contact Marlene Townsend at 219-515-2050 or Jo Brown at 219-741-1709.

*Submitted by Cathy Bartczak*

# Parish Life

**Commission Members:** Welcoming Ministry, Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus, Festival Committee, Comforting Chefs, Senior GEMS, Boy Scouts of America



## Pet Blessing

**October 5th**

**9:00 AM**

**St. Francis Shrine**

**Next to the Parish Office**

## CALLING ALL SENIORS TO PARTICIPATE IN GEMS



### Upcoming Schedule:

**Oct. 8th:** Gathering at 10:00 AM  
Book Club, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

**Oct. 22nd: No Gathering**  
Passion of Christ, meet there at 11:30 AM followed by lunch at The Chop House. If you are interested in attending, please call Carol at 219-736-5085 by Oct. 10th.

### Looking for More People

We would like to attend White Christmas at the Performing Arts in Munster. Need six more people to get group rate. If interested, please call Carol at 219-736-5085 by Oct. 1st.

*Submitted by Carol Rusich*

## Mindful Chair Exercise



**Friday Mornings**

**9:00-10:00 AM**

**St. Patrick Hall**

**Cost is \$5 per session**

**Any questions, please call Ursula Buchnat at 219-741-3276.**

**NOTE TO SELF:**

**JUST BECAUSE IT POPS INTO  
MY HEAD DOES NOT MEAN  
IT SHOULD COME OUT OF MY  
MOUTH.**

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## ST. MICHAEL PARISH

Schererville, Indiana

### STEWARDSHIP THROUGH MINISTRY

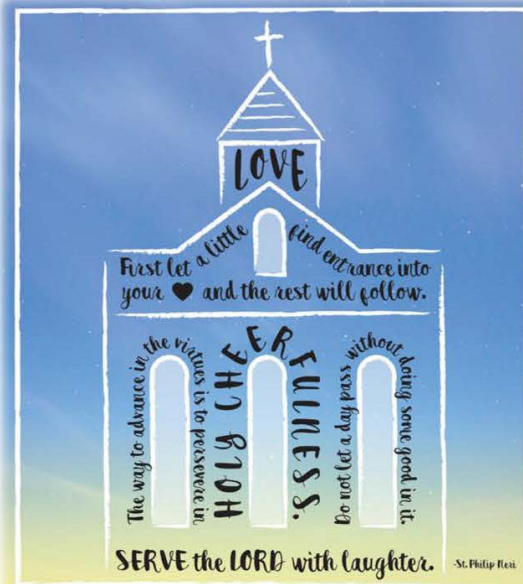
#### Feast Day Celebration

This weekend, St. Michael's Church celebrates its Feast Day and The Call to Stewardship through Ministry. Fr. Marty and other parish leaders would like to extend their deepest gratitude to those parishioners who have answered the call to stewardship and returned Ministry Commitment Cards to the parish. These commitments, which display your kind and giving spirit, signify that you have heeded God's call to live as disciples on a daily basis through the practice of stewardship.

The Ministry Card calls for a commitment to stewardship - the stewardship of our time in which we live prayer and the stewardship of our talent in which we live service through the ministries we support.

We are a community of the Lord's disciples, and we are grateful to each parishioner who has embraced stewardship as a way of life and kept the spirit of stewardship alive within our parish family. Again, thank you for your overwhelming generosity and sharing your gifts with our parish. Your charitable spirit of giving will continue to enable St. Michael's Church to fulfill the mission that God has entrusted to us. We offer our prayers that God will continue to bestow His countless blessings upon you, your family and our parish community.

Throughout September, our parish has been celebrating Stewardship through Ministry Month. As faithful members of our church, we have been called to be good stewards. Through our commitment to stewardship, we affirm our gratitude to God by sharing His gifts of our time, talent and treasure with others.



**Thank You for  
answering the  
call to  
Stewardship.**

*Additional Ministry Cards are available in the  
Gathering Space.*



# Stewardship & Parish Administration Commission

## Stewardship Challenge

God's angels are there to help us follow Christ. Each day this week ask your Guardian Angel to lead you to God in what you say and do.

**Commission Members:** Finance Council, Gardener Ministry, Education Foundation, Cemetery Committee

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



**September 22, 2019**

|          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| Adult    | \$14,057.00 |
| EFTs*    | \$4,625.00  |
| Children | \$21.35     |
| Loose    | \$965.34    |

**Total Weekly Offering**  
**\$19,668.69**

*\*Electronic Funds Transfer*

## Weekly Schedule

### SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29

Feast Day Weekend  
Coffee & Donuts After All Masses  
RCIA 9:30 AM  
Eucharistic Adoration 12:30-4:30 PM  
Evening Prayer 4:30 PM  
Parish Dinner After Evening Prayer

**Rosary is said after 7:00 AM Weekday Mass**  
**Except Tuesday-after OLPH Devotions**

### MONDAY SEPTEMBER 30

Cleaning of the Church 8:30 AM  
Centering Prayer 6:00 PM  
Bible Study 7:00 PM

### TUESDAY OCTOBER 1

OLPH Devotions After 7:00 AM Mass  
Labors of Love 10:00 AM  
Children's Choir Practice 3:15-4:00 PM  
Traditional/Good Shepherd Classes 6:00 PM  
Adult Education Session (Presence) 7:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 2

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00 -6:00 PM  
Traditional Classes 6:00 PM  
Living Rosary 7:00 PM

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 3

Alpha Series 7:00 PM  
Bereavement Session 7:00 PM  
Choir/Cantor Practice 7:00 PM

### FRIDAY OCTOBER 4

Mindful Chair Exercise 9:00 AM  
Cleaning of the Church 1:30 PM  
Western Night 5:00 PM  
Bell Choir Practice 5:30 PM

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 5

First Saturday Devotions After 8:00 AM Mass  
Pet Blessing 9:00 AM  
Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM  
Respect Life Rose Sale After Vigil Mass



## EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Please consider supporting our education endeavors at St. Michael Parish through the  
**St. Michael Education Foundation**  
**with a Memorial Donation.**

Your gift will be listed here and acknowledged to the family or individual you memorialize.  
Living Memorial - Anniversary Memorial -  
Deceased Memorial

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## Our Lasting Legacy

Newsletter Update for the Campaign for the future of  
St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church



### Campaign Good News!

September 23, 2019

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| New Pledges From 2019:              | \$121,920   |
| Pledges And Gifts Received To Date: | \$3,157,960 |
| Pledges Yet To Be Collected:        | \$202,863   |

The *Our Lasting Legacy* Campaign is intended to enhance our place of worship and conduct critical repairs, ensuring the prosperity of our church, so that future generations may come here to exercise their faith.

### Another Successful St. Michael's Family Fun Fest!

August 2 – 3

Once again our community gathered for two nights of fellowship, food, and fun. This year's celebration featured games for the whole family, live entertainment, a \$100,000 mega raffle, car show, multiple food/drink vendors, and more!

Many visitors made favorable remarks regarding the church's noticeable enhancements—affirming the effectiveness of the campaign and bolstering the pride we feel as parishioners of Saint Michael Parish.

Thank you to all the volunteers and sponsors who made this event possible with their hard work and generosity.

Your support and resources are needed to wrap up the *Our Lasting Legacy* Campaign. Thank you for working to ensure our church remains a worship and gathering space for all.

### Upcoming Events:

- **October 26** – Soup & Chili Cook Off
- **November 9** – Respect Life Baby Shower
- **November 24** – Knight's of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Support the *Our Lasting Legacy* campaign in several ways.

Gifts of outright cash, pledges, and appreciated securities are all welcome. Contact us for more information.

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## ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO BREWS & BITES

**October 4th, 7:00 – 11:00 PM**

**Wicker Memorial Park, Highland IN**

*Join us for an adult evening of tastings of restaurants and breweries from the region.*

**Live Music by: The Ticks**

Tickets and sponsorship opportunities are available at [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) (search Brews & Bites) or <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/brews-and-bites-2019-tickets-68221104159>.

All proceeds benefit St. Thomas More School.

## \*UNITE & FIGHT CANCER

Join the fight to end cancer by taking part in the 16th annual Unite & Fight Cancer Walk & Run on **Oct. 6th** at the *Munster High School football field* hosted by the Cancer Resource Centre in Munster. Noon registration. Children, ages 10 & under have a 100 yard dash. Learn more by contacting the Resource Centre at 219-836-3349 or [UnitedFight.org](http://UnitedFight.org) or [CancerResource-Centre.com](http://CancerResource-Centre.com).

## \*GENERAL MEETING FOR LAKE COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE

Lake County Right To Life will be holding their next General Public Meeting on **October 8th**. The meeting will be held at *St Michael Parish in St. Patrick Hall's side meeting room* at 6:00 PM. A complete update of all events taking place and any legislative issues will be given. Please RSVP if you plan to attend by calling 219-838-1138 or [office@lakecortl.org](mailto:office@lakecortl.org).

## MEATLOAF DINNER

The Good Shepherd Council of the Knights of Columbus will host a Meatloaf Dinner on **Oct. 9th**, 4:00-7:00 PM, at *Our Lady of Consolation Vamos Hall, 8303 Taft St., Merrillville*. Menu of meatloaf, potatoes, gravy, soup, salad, vegetable, beverage, and dessert. Adults \$10. Preteen \$3. Preschool free. Carryouts are available. Please contact Jack at 219-365-1505 with any questions.

## STM CAREER NETWORKING GROUP

STM Career Networking Group is hosting a seminar, "Preparing the Perfect Elevator Pitch to Attract Employers" presented by Rick Riddering, Director of Leadership Development at Faith Church, on **Oct. 9th**, 7:00-8:30 PM, at *STM Weis Center, 8635 Calumet Ave., Munster*. This is free and open to all those who are unemployed, new to the job market or want to change careers.

## PICK 7 OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

*St. Matthias, Crown Point*, is hosting a Pick 7 Outreach Opportunity on **Oct. 19th**, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. If you know of anyone who could use a helping hand with food and household supplies, please invite them to this special event. No questions asked, just joyful giving!

## \*MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

Lake County Right To Life is hosting a Murder Mystery Dinner - MURDER AT THE MANSION, on **October 19th** with doors opening at 6:00 PM with a buffet dinner beginning at 6:30 PM and program starting shortly after. Dinner will take place at *St Michael's Parish in St Patrick Hall, 1 E. Wilhelm St, Schererville*. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased by contacting Lake County Right To Life at 219-838-1138 or [office@lakecortl.org](mailto:office@lakecortl.org).



## \*"SHARE YOUR DREAMS" GALA

You are invited to the "Share Your Dreams" gala on **November 1st** at the *Croatian Banquet Hall, Merrillville*. All proceeds from this evening benefit the Share Foundation with the Handicapped. For details please call 219-778-2585 or visit [sharegala.givesmart.com](http://sharegala.givesmart.com).



## RUMMAGE SALE

St. Stephen Martyr Women's Club will be having a rummage sale the weekend of **November 9 & 10th**, 10:00 AM-6:00 PM, in *Jacob Hall, 5920 Waite Street, Merrillville*.

## \*SAVE THE DATE

FCSLA Branch 81 Holiday Luncheon,  
Sunday, November 17th, 2019.  
More details coming in late October.

## JOIN FR. DECLAN ON A PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI



Fr. Declan McNicholas is leading a pilgrimage of young adults from the Diocese of Gary to Rome and Assisi, **May 27th-June 3rd**. This is open to all young adults, post-high school to 35. For more information, please visit [youngadultpilgrimages.com](http://youngadultpilgrimages.com).

# — We Remember . . . We Prepare . . . —



## **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28**

**5:00 PM**     †Larry Miller

## **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29**

**7:30 AM**     †Philip Bruno-*1st Anniversary*

**9:30 AM**     St. Michael Parish

**11:30 AM**     †Alfred Klamczynski

                 †Gloria Smokvina

                 †Joyce Mullaney

## **MONDAY SEPTEMBER 30**

**7:00 AM**     †Ronald J. Maty, Sr.

## **TUESDAY OCTOBER 1**

**7:00 AM**     †Philip & Kerry Bruno

## **WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 2**

**7:00 AM**     †Mary Lepley

**8:55 AM**     †Gloria Smokvina

## **THURSDAY OCTOBER 3**

**7:00 AM**     †Ethel Zurawski

## **FRIDAY OCTOBER 4**

**7:00 AM**     †Sandy Pyle

                 †Sharon Kras

                 †Mary Boyle

## **SATURDAY OCTOBER 5**

**8:00 AM**     †Robert Ayersman, Sr.

**5:00 PM**     †Deacon Ed Gatons

## **SUNDAY OCTOBER 6**

**7:30 AM**     St. Michael Parish

**9:30 AM**     †Giuseppe Barone

**11:30 AM**     †Kyle Arnold

                 †Kevin Kaiser

                 †Beverly Mullaney

† indicates deceased



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## **THE WORD**

*(Readings for October 6, 2019, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

**I. Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4**

The prophet learned that his hopes would be fulfilled, even though it may take longer than he expected. He is told to wait in confidence, for just people will live.

**II. 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14**

Paul reminded Timothy that God bestows a spirit that makes the people strong, loving and wise. That Holy Spirit dwells in Christians.

**III. Luke 17:5-10**

Jesus taught the apostles that faith gives power: a person with faith the size of a mustard seed can uproot a mulberry tree and transplant it in the sea.



## The Parish Website

Visit our website, [www.stmichaelparish.life](http://www.stmichaelparish.life) for up-to-date information on upcoming events, St. Michael Catholic School, St. Michael Cemetery, photo gallery, information on all of our ministries/committees, and St. Patrick Hall and our adjacent meeting rooms.

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